

Special Education Ages 3-21

QUALIFICATIONS FOR TEACHING PUPILS WHO HAVE AUTISM

Before teaching pupils, ages 3 to 21, inclusive, who have autism, a person must hold an endorsement issued pursuant to this section. Effective through June 30, 2008

To receive the endorsement, the person must:

1. Have completed a program of preparation for teaching pupils who have autism, which has been approved by the Board;
2. Hold a license or certificate, issued by another state, with an endorsement to teach pupils who have autism;
3. Hold a bachelor's or master's degree in the education of pupils who have autism and have completed 8 semester hours of student teaching, equivalent field experience or 1 year of verifiable teaching experience in special education; or
4. Have:
 - A. Met the requirements for an endorsement prescribed in NAC 391.343 Special Education Generalist , 391.350 Serious Emotional Disturbances, 391.356 Specific Learning Disabilities, 391.360 Mental Retardation, 391.363 Early Childhood Developmentally Delayed or 391.370 Speech and Language Impaired;
 - B. One year of verifiable teaching experience with pupils who have autism; and
 - C. Completed course work in the following areas:
 - 1) Behavior management;
 - 2) Speech and language development;
 - 3) Assistive technology, or alternative or augmentative communication;
 - 4) Characteristics of pupils who have autism; and
 - 5) Curriculum development or methods and strategies for teaching pupils who have autism.

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